THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Government condemn the killing. Government are aware that security forces are operating under grave risk to their own lives. The security forces in Punjab have been alerted and they have been asked to take all precautionary measures for the security of their personnel.

(c) Information is being collected from the Government of Punjab and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Missing of crates containing Telecommunications equipment

3164. SHRI J. P. GOYAL: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the telecommunications department had booked 15 wooden crates of vital communications equipment for Sikandarabad on 7th November, 1986 through a private transport agency which are reported missing;

(b) if so, what are the details in this regard;

(c) whether it is a fact that the said consignment did not reach the destination; and

(d) if so, what are the details in this regard and whether the said consignment has since been recovered, if so, what are the details of the action taken against the transport company and other involved in it?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI SANTOSH MOHAN DEV): (a) to (d) Enquiries are being made and the information will be laid on the Table of the House.

Raids at the premises of Government officials by C.B.I.

@3165. SHRI SUBAS MOHANTY: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to a news-item which appeared in 'Hindustan Times' of 22nd October, 1986 that C.B.I. found lots of unaccounted money during raids at the residential premises of senior and middle level officials and what is the information of the Government in this regard and how much money is unearthed; and

(b) if so, what are the details in this regard and the quantum of unaccounted money seized in these raids?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SHRI BIREN SINGH ENGTI): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. On 21st October 1986, CBI conducted 81 searches on the residential/office premises of 36 officials of Government/Public Sector Undertakings and 28 private persons/firms in connection with the investigation of 27 cases registered by the CBI on the allegations of posession of assets disproportionate to the known sources of income, cheating, fergery, misappropriation Criminal misconduct etc. The details of movable properties discovered during the searches are given below:—

Cash, Bank Balances, Fixed Deposit Receipts, National Savings Certificates, Shares etc. Rs. 9.98 lakhs

Jewellery, House-holds & movable properties. Rs. 22.92 lakhs.

Besides, a large number of incriminating documents were seized.

Setting up of Atomic Power Station in Punjab

3166. SHRI HARVENDRA SINGH HANSPAL: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government of Punjab has been repeatedly urging the Central Government to set up a Nuclear Power Station in that state;

(b) whether some senior officers from Punjab had held discussions with the Central Government officials at Bombay in March 1985 in this regard;

@Previously Unstarred Question 2683 transferred from the 2nd December, 1986.

(c) if so, what is the reaction of the Central Government in this regard and whether any decision has been taken; and

(d) if not, by when a final decision is likely to be taken in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF OCEAN DEVELOPMENT, ATOMIC ENERGY, ELECTRONICS AND SPACE (SHRI K. R. NARAYANAN): (a) and (b). Yes, Sir.

(c) and (d) The Site Selection Committee of the Department of Atomic Energy has looked at various sites in Northern Electricity Region including those proposed by the State authorities in Punjab. The Report of the Committee is under consideration of the Government.

Grant-in-aid for projects in the Ministry of Science and Technology

3167. SHRI THANGABAALU: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) what guidelines have been laid down for giving grant-in-aid to voluntary organisations for various projects in the Ministry of Science and Technology;

(b) what are the details of grant-in-aid organisation-wise and State-wise, in 1985-86 and the amount disbursed, projectwise;

(c) whether the sanctioned amount has been fully utilised; and

(d) if not, what action Government have taken against those organisations?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF OCEAN DEVELOPMENT, ATOMIC ENERGY, ELECTRONICS AND SPACE (SHRI K. R. NARAYANAN): (a) The Science and Technology content of the Project and its potential usefulness to the society, as judged by an expert committee, are the main guiding principles for giving grant-in-aid to voluntary organisation for specific time-bound projects.

(b) Details are given in Annexure-I. [See Appendix CXL, Annexure No. 110].

(c) and (d) The project grant is sanctioned normally for a period ranging from 2—5 years. The budget for each year is scrutinised and funds released for that year. Further grants are released only after utilization certificates have been obtained. The unutilized part of the grant is returned to the Government.

Grant-in-aid for projects in the Ministry of Information and Broadcasting

3168. SHRI THANGABAALU: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) what are the guidelines for giving grant-in-aid to voluntary organisations for various projects in the Ministry of Information and Broadcasting;

(b) what are the details of grant-in-aid organisation-wise (All India Character), National and State-wise, for the last year i.e., 1985-86 and the amount disbursed project-wise;

(c) whether the sanctioned amount is fully utilised; and

(d) if not, what action Government has taken against those organisations which fail to utilise properly the sanctioned amount?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI AJIT PANJA): (a) The general guidelines for grants-in-aid are prescribed in Chapter 11 of the General Financial Rules.

(b) and (c) During 1985-86, the Federation of Film Societies of India was granted an amount of Rs. 1.00 lakh. The requisite Utilization Certificate was duly furnished by the Federation.

(d) Does not arise.